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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 10TH, 1908,

WE cannot find in the latest quarterly re-

turns of the Imperial Maritime Customs any confirmation of the reports so frequently and confidently repeated that the anti-opium movement in China is still going strong. So far as the import of foreign opium is concorned during the third quarter of the present year the Customs returns go to show a considerably larger business than in the corresponding quarter of last year. From these: returns we can form no adequate idea of the movement of native opium, but what little information they do afford does not indicate that the cultivation of the drug in China has been appreciably reduced. Taking first what the statistical tables in the Customs Gazette disclose in regard to the trade in native opium, during the third quarter of the present year, we note that at Ichang. where the import was entirely of native production, the returns show 2,558 piculs as compared with 1,811 in the corresponding quarter of la-t year, while at Kukiang, where the import last year was 737 piculs and this year 1,181, the increase is almost ment holds good with regard to Wuhu where an increase of 404 picule is shown, of which 40) is in the native drug. At

opium is the feature of the trade in the

Viewing the opium Yangtse district. returns as a whole, we note that very few places indeed show a reduction in the import of opium. Nanking is the most conspicuous place in that respect, for the import there of opium of all kinds fell from 346 piculs to 66, but Amoy is the only other place of importance where the import shows a reduction. There it declined from 1,331 piculs to 1,139. Here are the figures for a faw other ports :---

worner porce :	1907	1908
	Piculs.	Piculs.
Shanghai	1,628	3,142
Hangchow	469	654
Ningpo	AAH	456
Foochow	000	1,158
Swatow	45.	1,796
Canton		8,294
Kowloon	400	286
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At every one of these places substantial increase in the import is shown. What, then, can be the authority for the repeated statements that the Opium Edict is being increasingly obeyed throughout the length and breadth of China? The Chinese Government is, according to the Imperial poppy cultivation in each district, but these statistics, are never published. When the Opium Conference meets at Shanghai in February the Government of China may reasonably be asked to furnish a true abstract of these returns for the guidance of the Conference. Possibly it would be wrong to conclude that there has been little or no restriction of poppy cultivation in China because the imports for a quarter at the principal trading marts for the drug show a surprising increase; but that explanation, if it exists, is not obvious, and in view of FRENCH the coming Conference the facts we have extracted from the July-September Customs returns stand in need of explanation when we are told that the enti-opium movement is becoming increasingly popular in China.

> For the first time since the plague established itself in Rangoon a week passed without any death from this disease last month.

> A death from hydrophobia is reported from Hankow, the victem being Mr. Nicola Hausman, controller of the Peking-Hankow railway-

Cholera is reported to be very prevalent in the Kinchow district of Shasi. Over 90 per cent. of the population are stated to be affected, but this is doubtless a very much exaggerated estimate.

At the Supreme Court yesterday the Chief Justice, just before the adjournment for tiffin, said it would be convenient to stop then. can't go on," he added, "until I get hot water pipes. I am half frozen." The Court was warmer in the afternoon.

Yesterday morning a detective went to the office of "The Query" and arrested Alfred W. Hall, who was described as a reporter, on a have already appeared in other papers will be charge of forgery and embezzlement at Manila-He was brought before Mr. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday and remanded until

> The Rt. Rev. Archbishop Kerly of Sydney who attended the Eucharistic Congress in London is staying in Hongkong for a few days before returning to his diccese. W understand that His Lordship will preach next Sunday at St. Joseph's Church.

> The rainfall of the last few days, following the typhoon in the China Sea, must constitute something like a record for December in Hongkong. The mean rainfall for December for the last twenty years has been 1.03 inches; the maximum 4.10 inches. The total fall on the 8th and 9th inst. was 2.30 inches to 10 a.m.

The Volunteer Corps are to have a field day on Saturday the 19th inst. The operations will be between a Blue and a Red force. The Infantry Company and the Taikoo Detachment. comprising the Blue Force, will meet at the B. & S. Sanitorium at Quarry Bay, The Red Force, consisting of the remainder of the corps. will parade at Blake Pier, at 1.30, for conveyance by launch to Stanley. Twenty rounds of blank that seating room could be found for another ammunition per rifle will be issued.

Notification has now been received of the results of the Royal Sanitary Institute examinetions held at Hongkong in May last. Only one candidate, Mr. Samuel R. Boyd, presented himself for examination in sanitary science as applied to buildings and public works, and he has been granted a certificate. Two candidates sat for examination for inspectors of nuisances Mesers. F. E. Beach and Robert Hudson both of Hongkong, and they are certified, as regards their sanitary knowledge, competent to discharge the duties of inspector of nuisances N.E. part of the China Sea. under the Public Health Act 1875.

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of which 40) is in the native drug. At	Bongs "Alta lieb rostet nicht and liebes lied"
Hangchow too, the import of native opium was 320 piculs during the quarter as com-	TW-166 Lavi du Midi l
nared with 96 piculs in the same period last	Selection " Les cloches de Corneville " (By Reque t)
year: and excepting at Nanking and Han-	S-renade Dragas
kow the increase in the import of native	Two Step " Cum. right down to de Hu-kin Bee"

#### Enfance, announce their Annual Bazaar which will be held at the City Hall on Monday, the 14th inst., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, under the patronage of His Excellency the Governor.

The latest official return of Chinese in the Transvaal shows that at the end of August 151,762 coloured persons were employed and 17,270 Chinese; according to the Transveal Chamber of Mines, the number of Chinese employed at the end of September was 14,655. The death rates per thousand for the quarter ended June 30 were 32 035 for natives and 16:002 for Chinese.

A dramatic incident was witnessed in the Supreme Court yesterday. A Chinese was suing for damages for the loss of his wife, and his case had concluded when the solicitor for the other side rose and said "I will now call Li Ting the real husband of the deceased." The effect was dramatic. The sequel has yet to be heard, but interesting developments may be expected in a case where two men claim to have been married to the deceased woman coolie.

At the Magistracy yesterday a Chinese was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by Mr J. R. Wood for being a member of an unlawful society. A police officer went to a certain house to investigate a larceny and in the course of his search he came across a locked drawer in a cupboard. Defendant produced the key and on regulations, supposed to be supplied with the drawer being opened he hurriedly snatched annual returns showing the area under up a small parcel of books. Naturally the officer wanted to see what it contained, and, on opening it, found therein four books the characters on which aroused his suspicion. He asked the ed as discouraging; the boycott is unabated defendant to accompany him to the Police Station where it was ascertained that the books contained writings relative to the secrets of the Triad Society.

The death is announced at Seoul of Mr. T E. Hallifar, one of the oldest foreign residents in the Far East. His connection dates back to a time shortly after the Indian Mutiny, when he went to India to take up an appointment in the telegraph service of the East India Company. In the year 1871 he went to Japan under contract with the Japanese Government and did good work there in connection with the installation of the telegraph service. From Japan he went to Korea, and in 1888 Mr. Hallifax superintended the work of connecting Seculwith Fusan by telegraph. His subsequent career in Korea has been that of a master in the Royal School for instruction in the English Language, a position from which he was retired a few months ago on account of his advanced age, the Government recognising his services by a decoration and a substantial honorarium. Most of the Consular Body in Seoul attended the funeral and the Vice-Minister of Education was among those present. The Imperial Band was present, by courtesy of the Household Department; and it played a funeral march under the conductorship of Mr. Eckert, their director.

THE BANDMANN COMEDY COMPANY.

This Company will commence their season this evening at the City Hall with the extremely popular comedy "Lady Frederick." This particiation in Hongkong. We hear that the booking is good and as time allows for only one performance of "LadyFrederick" play-goers of Hongkong should not miss this opportunity of seeing the latest from Home. As a Comedy "Lady Frederick" holds a correspondingly proud position to that of the "Merry Widow" in the operatic world. The booking office is at Moutrie and Co's.

TWO LUKONGS MURDERED AT MACAO.

A Filipino named Hilaro Barte who has been residing for some years at Macao had an altercation in the street on Monday with two lukongs and stabbed them both. One of the men died on the spot and the other succumbed next day in the Military Hospital. The murderer has been arrested.

THE A.D.C. PERFORMANCES.

It is interesting evidence of the public appreciation of the A.D.C. performance of Country Girl" that on the last three nights the audiences were larger than on the first three. The most crowded house was Saturday, the next largest was on Tuesday (the final porformance), the third largest was on Monday, the fourth on Friday, the fifth on Thursday and the first night was actually the smallest, though it did not appear hundred persons. The "Country Girl" therefore met with an amount of support which is quite exceptional, and all who witnessed the performance will agree that it was richly

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issue the following report: On the 9th at 12.15 p.m.—The barometer

The anticyclonic area, which is still central one, and his knowledge of Eastern peoples over N. Chins, has spread over Japan where pressure has increased considerably Gradients remain steep and hard N. and N.E. Hongkong: Rapid promotion led to various gales will continue to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea,

at 10 a.m. to-day, 1.78 inches. The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon disputes. to-day is as follows:-Hongkong & Neighbourhood.(\*)

Formesa Channel South coast of China between } Fresh N. and Hongkong and Lamocks. N.E. gales. South coast of China between | Bame as No. 3. Hongkong and Hainan ... (\*) Moderate N. gale; squally and rainy at

first, improving later.

The French Sisters of the Asile de la Sainte TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE. AUSTRIA AND TURKEY.

LONDON, December 7th. Advices from Constantinople state that the boycott of Austrian goods has extended

to the whole of the Empire, except Smyrns. RE-OPENING OF LIEUTENANT WOODS' CASE.

LONDON, December 7th. The case of Lieutenant Woods has been re-opened, and writs have been served on Mr. Haldane, General Lyttelton, and other then members of the Army Council, on the ground that they exceeded their powers in requiring the officer's resignation. enquiry was held in Chelsea barracks on the 19th November, 1907 to investigate complaints made by Lieutenant Woods of the 2nd Grenadier Guards, regarding alleged obtain redress. unjust treatment in certain reports of the War Office.

THE SITUATION IN THE NEAR EAST.

London, December 7th. The situation in the Near East is regardand the tension between Austria and Turkey unquestionably preparing for emergencies. Itely's entente with Russia, which though an unwritten one, is said to constitute definite agreement to mutually support their respective interests in the Balkans, it hailed with satisfaction in St. Petersburg and with ill-concealed dismay in Vienna,

ANOTHER HEALTH FAD.

We stand and sit too much, according to the views of Dr. Gelbke, expressed in a lecture recently delivered before a body of German physicians. Chairs may have been known t the ancients, but they were used only on extraordinary occasions. Persons of culture, as w as the barbarians, took their meals and their rest reclining. In discussing the subject, Krushe, of Munich says that to this day the primitive peoples prefer the reclining to the sitting posture, and the fact that they lie not upon the back but upon the stomach, accounts for the better and more supple figures of these

ACCIDENT AVERTED BY PHOTOGRAPH.

Queen Alexandra is an enthusiatic amateur photographer. It is said that her hobby was once the instrument by which a railway accident was prevented. According to the "Penny Magazine" Her Majesty had takena photograph of a train passing, over a railway bridge, and, after developing it, observed a peculiar curve in the bridge. Thinking that it was some fault in cular play has met with the greatest success in the plate that caused the curve, she took another London and should command similar appre- photograph of the bridge, with the same result. Her Majesty then showed the pictures to the King, when the bridge was examined by his command and found to be in a dangerous state.

A BOND OR AN AGREEMENT

A case of some importance, to the mercantile community, came before Mr. Justice Braddel sitting in the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements recently, on appeal from the assessment of the Commissioner of Stamps. The question was whether an agreement of guarantee was to be stamped as a bond or merely as an agreement in writing. The Commissioner of Stamps assessed the stamp at 3200 and Messre. Guthrie & Co., Limited, being dissatisfied with such assessment, appealed to the Court.

Mr. J. F. Wreford appeared for Messrs Guthrie & Co., Limited, and Mr. P. J. Sproule, His Lordship held that, according the

definition in the Stamp Ordinance, a bond for the purposes of such Ordinance was not only what is known to the law as a bood, i.e., an instrument under seal, but included any instrument in writing for the payment of money with a condition that the obligation shall be void if a specified act or condition is performed or observed or is not performed or observed.

In the document in question there was no such condition; it had evidently been carefully drawn to make the liability thereunder a continuing one: it was merely an agreement in writing to satisfy the statute of Frauds and, as such, was liable to a stamp of twenty-five cents. Lordship directed the Commissioner of Stamps to refund \$199.75 and to pay the costs of the

THE BRITISH DELEGATES TO THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

The first name in the list of the delegates chosen by Sir Edward Grey to represent Great Britain in the International Opium Commission is that of Sir Cecil Clementi Smith, Both his Christian names, the Globeremarks, are presumably due to the fact that his father married has risen moderately over the S. coast of China Cecilia Clementi, a daughter of Muzio Clementi, and S. Luzon, and a slight rise has taken place the famous composer. He is an old Pauline, a member of the Tariff Commission, and was

The typhoon continues to fill up over the made a Privy Councillor two years ago. His association with the East has been a long extensive. In the early sixties he was one of the first student interpreters to be sent to important appointments, such as Governor of Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending Governor of Ceylon Sir Cecil has twice received the thanks of the Government for his adroit management of minor international

One member of Parliament, Mr. Laidlaw, has. been put upon the Commission presumably because he made his fortune in the Oriental trade. He is a member of a firm which has important branches in nearly all the great ports of the East, and is besides the owner of extensive tea plantations near Darjeeling. He is an admirable man of business, and a great sepporter of foreign missions.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

December, 8th. B.S. "FATSHAN" AFFAIR.

The following is a literal translation of an article which appeared in the 72 Guild Press to-day :-

" Re: the case in which a certain passenger was kicked to death by a foreigner.

"Public anger has been aroused throughout the whole Province of Kwangtung. day a relation of the deceased named Ho Yu Cham called personally at the Self-Government Association and presented a written statement of complaint which is as follows :---

and shut out the means of redress for the representative Hongkong eleven. grievance.

"Your humble petitioner is a brother of the deceased, Yu Tiu, who was wickedly kicked to death by a foreigner on board the steamer Fatshan. This complaint has already been laid before your honourable association to mert's score was very creditable when one

intentionally shifted the responsibility on to ground three weeks ago. The position of the others,. I fear that there will be no redress, and that I will have to swallow the grievance. 1 believe that I am not influential enough to obtain redress for the death of my brother. I Civil Service v. Telegraphs and R.G.A. beg the Association, which is animated by patriotic spirit and concern for the public good, to have pity on your brethern and take the Telegraph's, but it is its glorious uncertainty matter up. I understand that the Association has already consulted with Na Shi, my sister-inis increasing. Austria and Turkey are law, and is thoroughly acquainted with the facts of the case. I trust that the Association will do its utmost with the assistance of the patriotic witnesses, Yeong, Fung Tang and Cheong, to 15 runs in the first innings and three for nil in stand firm. My sister-in-law and my nephew will all abide by the decision of the Association, taking up the matter.

"This petition is presented to the honourable members of the Self-Government Association by Ho Yu Cham, brother of Ho Yu Tiu, the

OFFICIAL CALL.

Com. Z. Volpicelli, Italian Consul-General for Kwantung, Kwangsi and Fokien Provinces, has arrived from Hongkong, and is calling upon the Viceroy to offer condolences upon the death of the Emperor and Empress Dowager and also to offer congratulation upon the accession of the new Emperor. ..

Yamen yesterday. It started at 3 p.m. and hundreds of pumps responded to the gong calls, mile walk. Shanghai has ideal roads for such Many civil and military officers turned out and an event, with the last mile round the race rendered assistance. The fire originated in the course, and it is hoped that the suggestion will Prefect's family quarters and was put out at | not be allowed to fall through without a deterabout 5 p.m. The hose of the water works mined effort being made to hold the event. A department did good service. The estimated committee has the matter in hand. loss is about \$5,000. A WHOLE VILLAGE DESTROYED BY FIRE.

robbers, armed with Mauser rifles, made a raid They include two each against Yorkshire, Surrey, on a number of family houses and shops in Gloucester, and Essex, and Yorkshire and Lan-Ho-Nam. A few days ago a military officer in | cashire combined and one each against the rest charge of a guard house reported to the Poon- of the first-class countles and Scotland, Cam-Yu Magistrate that he had discovered that bridge, Oxford, and the West of England. The several of the robbers who took part in the recent Ho-Nam armed robbery are people belonging to the Kong Tan Village near the American Medical College in Ho-Nam. Upon receipt of this information the magistrate went to the village with the military officer and a dozen soldiers with the intention of capturing them, but to his surprise on their arrival at the village the villagers offered resistance fought the soldiers, driving them all out of the village and seriously wounding several of the soldiers. The Magistrate and his men had to beat a retreat. The matter was reported to the Vicercy who gave orders to the Kwong-Chow General on the following day to proceed to the Acting Solicitor-General, for the Commissioner | village with a body of soldiers, to arrest all the villagers and butn the whole village. The villagers got wind of the Viceroy's anger and most of them deserted the village before the General and his men arrived. However, the village was entirely burnt down and a few of the villagers were arrested.

> CLOSURE OF VLADIVOSTOCK. Mr. Nomura, the Japanese Consul at Vladi-

vostock, reports that the Bill relating to the discontinuance of the free port system at Vladivostock and ports along the Amur river was submitted to he Financial Committee early in the current session of the Duma. The fate of the Bill is somewhat dubious, but there can be no doubt as to its passage through the Duma as the influence of the Ministers of State and Octoberists, who command a majority in the Duma, is too strong for the Opposition, even if the latter are backed by General Panteleff, chief military attaché to the Tear. Opinion differs as to the probable date of the closure of the free ports, some naming January 1st (Russian calendar) next years, while others put it at about April next. The German traders resident in Russia recently forwarded a petition to the Russian Government soliciting that the law relating to the closure should be made public at least two or three months prior to enforcement. The enforcement of the law will no doubt have a serious effect on trade, As a matter of fact there was a big importation last Spring in anticipation of the closure of the free ports, and if there is a sufficient period between the promulgation of the law and the day of its enforcement, the traders will import as large a quantity of foreign made dutiable goods as possible. On the Straits Settlements, and Lieutenant o the other hand the Russian manufacturers desire to have the period limited to a minimum. On this question much will be said in the Duma as well as in the Council Chambers. Although a belief obtains that the Bill will sooner or later be passed by the Duma yet the public is in the dark as to the probable date of closure of the ports. An impression however obtains amongst the principal merchants in Vladivostock that the law will come into force after March or April next year, if the Bill passes the Duma in the current session. The closure of the ports will prove a hindrance to Japanese merchants doing. business on a small capital. - Japan Herald.

SPORTING NOTES.

Last Saturday's league tricket matches were not followed with very much interest because neither of the three leading teams were competing and the rest are at present so far out of the running that the results do not affect the competition to any appreciable extent.

Kowloon played the Royal-Engineers on the Kowloon ground, disposed of them for 111 and succeeded in compiling 118 for the loss of seven wickets, thus winning fairly easy against a team which had beaten the Hongkong "A" team. Walter Dixon appears to have found his old form and is bowling better this sesson than he has done for some time. Martin's bowling on the "This statement of complaint is presented other hand, appears to have lost a lot of its by Ho Yu Cham concerning the shocking way sting. Power, playing for the R. E., put up a in which the deceased was kicked to death, nice 45. He is a very useful man and would The British Consul protected the prisoner no doubt on present form be included in a

The other match between the R.G.A. and Craigengower resulted in a draw. The only scores of any note being Lammert's 48 for Craigengower and Owen's 34 for R.G.A. Lunconsiders what have the R.G.A. trundlers made "I have heard that the British Consul with the first half of the "B" team on the same teams remains unchanged.

The league matches for next Saturday are v. Police. The Civil Service are very strong in bowlers this year, and should beat the that makes cricket so fascinating a game. It is probable that the scoring will not be big on either side. Reid, one of the Civil Service trundlers, gave a good account of himself agains, Canton on Saturday, securing four wickets for the second. On the previous Saturday he got four wickets in the last over, capturing the bat whatever it may be. I thank you heartily for trick with his last three balls, playing against Craigengower.

> The R.E's should beat the Police team unless their crack bat, Edwards, makes a stand He is in good form this season and has put up some good scores already.

Shanghai is to have its Marathon Race. At least, such is said to be the intention of the recently formed Athletic Association, but as yet no public announcement has been made. Such an event, remarks the Shanghai Times, would undoubtedly be welcomed in the Settlement but plenty of time for training would have to be A fire broke out in the Kwongchow Prefect's allowed, as a twenty-six mile run requires considerably more preparation than an eighteen

Thirty-seven matches have been arranged for Sometime ago I reported that a band of the tour of the Australian cricketers next year. tour will commence on May 6th.

MASONIC.

The installation of officers of the United Service Lodge 1341 E.C. for the ensuing year took place on Tuesday evening. The ceremony was conducted by Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough, D.D.G.M., assisted by the District Grand Lodge officers, and the following were duly invested by Wor. Bro. J. N. Jones:-W.M., Wor. Bro. J. N. Jones; I. P. M., Wor. Bro. E. C. L. Lewis: S.W... Bro. W. Wolfe; J.W., Bro. O. F. Frost; Treasurer, Wor. Bro. H. G. Baker; Secretary, Wor. Bor. W. H. Woolley: S.D., Bro. A. J. Knight; J.D., Bro. C. A. Atkins; Chaplain, Bro. T. W. Martin; Organist, Br. J. C. Pendlebury; D. of C., Bro. W. R. Sutton; Asst. D. of C., Bro. J. W. Adnams; I.G., Bro. G. S. Hill; Steward, Bro. W. J. Lewington; Asst. Steward, Bro. T. G. Gough; Tyler, Bro. J. Vanstone.

The usual banquet followed, at which about 120 members sat down, under the chairmanship of Wor. Bro. Jones.

LOCAL SPORT,

Another league football match has been arranged for Saturday-Boys' Own Club v. R. G. A. at Causeway Bay, kick off at 4 p.m.

SUBSCRIPTION GRIFFINS.

The drawings for the second batch of griffins took place yesterday with the following result

No. 48 Grey-Lieut: Green. No. 49 Grey-Mr. Jebsen. No. 50 Dark Grey-Lieut. Crockenden. No. 51 Grey-Lieut. Anderson. No. 52 Dark Grey-Mr. P. Christiani. No. 53 Chestnut-Capt. Barker. No. 54 Grey-Mr. G. Friesland, No. 55 Bay-Mr. H. Humphreys. No. 56 Bay-Lieut. Webb.

No. 57 Iron Grey-Mr. J. A. Jupp. No. 58 Grey-Lieut. Sill. No. 59 Iron Grey-Mr. H. N. Mody. No. 60 Grey-Mr. F. B. Deacon. No. 61 Grey-Mr. R. E. Toeg.

No. 62 Grey-Mr. J. H. Lewis. No. 63 Bay-Admiral Lambton. No. 64 Grey-Lieut. Chichester, No. 65 Bay-Lieut. Scarlett.

No. 66 Grey-Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson. No. 67 Bay-Lieut. Henriques. No. 68 Grey-Lient, Davidson.

No. 69 Iron Grey-Mr. H. N. Mody. No. 70 Dark Grey-Mr. F. B. Descon.

No. 71 White Lieut. Innes. No. 72 Grey-Dr. G. P. Jordan

#### SUPREME COURT.

Wednesday, 9th December.

IN SUMMARY JUBISDICTION,

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR F. PIGGOTT).

A COMPRADORE'S LIABILITY. S. J. David and Company, merchants, brought action against Chan Ut Chui, a compradore formerly in their employ, for the recovery of \$648,816 the amount of damages due under agreement. Defendant counterclaimed for the return of his security \$55,000 alleging that he had fulfilled the terms of his contract.

Hon. Mr. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Jackson, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appeared for the plaintiffs, while defendant was represented by Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., instructed by Mr. J. Scott Harston.

Plaintiffs claimed that part of the consideration of their employing defendant as comprudore was that defendant agreed to make good any deficiency in the price of goods, sold or agreed to be sold by them to Chinese while he was compradore, irrespective of whether the sale was with or without defendant's consent. The plaintiff had incurred losses in relation to or arising out of contracts entered into with Chinese and the defendant's liabilities as compradore amounted to \$648,816,67, which was admitted by the defendant in a declaration made in support of a petition. in bankruptoy.

In the statement of defence defendant denied that he ever agreed to pay to the plaintiff any deficiency in the price of goods, loss, profit, commission or any losses sustained by the plaintiffs as alleged in the claim. Defendant said he was not liable to pay the claim or any part thereof and denied that the plaintiffs' losses amounted to \$648,816,67 or to any sum nearly as large, and declared that he, as compradore was not liable to pay it, or any part of it and that plaintiffs had lost all their rights against the defendant by entering into agreements in the early part of August 1906 and the early part of September 1906 to give time to the Chinese concerned for taking delivery of the goods the plaintiffs had contracted to sell. He was liable to pay no more than the difference between the price at which the said goods were contracted to be sold and the market price, and the market price at the dates on which delivery of the said goods should have been taken, and was not liable to pay anything in the case of goods which the plaintiffs had not in hand at the due date for the delivery thereof. Goods imported by the plaintiffs to meet their contracts were destroyed or damaged by the typhoon of 18th Sept. 1906 and in other storms, and the plaintiffs had received monies in respect of such destroyed or damaged goods, and not credited same to defendant nor had they brought into account in their claim against the defendant certain monies received by them under agreements of compromise with purchasers.

repeated the allegations contained in the state- the death of the said Yun Yan Shi, caused by ment of defence under and in pursuance of the negligence of the defendants' servants in naviagreement. The defendant deposited with the gating the s.s. Loong Sang in the harbour of plaintiff \$55,000 as security for the due per Hongkong on 19th June, 1908, whereby a colliformance by the defendant of his obligations | sion took place between the Loong Sang and the under the agreement, and he said that those licensed junk No. 2666 on which the said Yun obligations had been performed.

The reply to the defence and counter claim stated that defendant's agreements, as compradore with the plaintiffis, and his obligations were defined in two agreements, one dated January 30, 1902 and a further agreement on April 27, 1905 and that the defendant was liable to pay the plaintiff's claim in that action. Plaintiffs further contended that the losses amounted to \$648,816.67. Referring to the counterclaim, plaintiffs stated that 355,000 was deposited by defendant with the plaintiffs where the money remains, as security for the due performance of his obligations, which defendant had not fulfilled.

Mr. Pollock made a preliminary submission that defendant was bound to begin, and read the paragraphs on which he founded this submission Defendant confessed he had admitted that he owed such and such a sum to plaintiffs. It was immaterial to them whether it was in a documentor verbally, Defendant having admitted that he owed this money.

Sir Henry Berkeley-He did so mistake nly It is not an admission.

Mr. Pollock-It is an admission and he has to show why he should be relieved from it. Where you have it that he has admitted liability to us in a certain amount and goes on to say that he did so mistakenly the burden lies upon him to said so. show he was mistaken.

His Lordship-No. His evidence would be to show that he mistakenly believed he was liable

You would not get any further. Sir Henry Berkeley-My friend is not quite ingenuous. He has not read the particulars of

that admission. His Lordship-You are not soing on that admission. It is only incidental evidence.

Mr. Pollock-It is, at all events, a matter of Sir Henry Berkeley-There is no admission | wife f-I don't know.

on the pleadings.

His Lordship The Court cannot sanction a matter of bad pleadings.

Mr. Pollock-You can say-His Lordship-If you sued him on admission I agree with you, but your cause of action is the compradore's agreement, and to strengthen your claim you put in evidence that he admitted it. It is part of your chain of

evidence. Mr. Pollock-If a man admits a thing and says I have made a mistake, surely the burden is on him of showing he was mistaken.

His Lordship—It is a piece of evidence which you hope to make the best of.

Mr. Pollock-Surely you can plead as a matter of fact that the man has made an admission. Sir Henry Berkeley-But he qualifies it. Lordship-The pleadings are badly

drawn.

Mr. Pollock-That he admits it is on record His Lordship-Nothing could be on record. Mr. Pollock-Supposing a man admits a debt, can't you plead he has admitted it? That is the point. It is for him to show why he should be relieved from it.

His Lordship.—That makes your action depend upon it.

Mr. Pollock.-No, not entirely. We say we are entitled to judgment unless he can show why he should be relieved from it. The only way he can be relieved is that there was a mistake which ought to entitle him to relief. We are entitled to go for him on the double ground, firstly on the admission and secondly on the general principles.

His Lordship-Supposing he goes into the box and says I drew this up in a hurry. That is an end of it.

Sir Henry Berkeley -They have the particulars of the admission.

His Lordship-You have, not advanced your Mr. Pollock-It is for him to get out of it.

His Lordship-Supposing we see the admission first. It may be it has been made an

Mr. Pollock-That is what I submit. Sir Henry Berkeley-No, it hasn't. Mr. Pollocks reads.

Mr. Pollock-If he says I was induced by Mr. David to make an admission, surely the burden is on him-

he was mistaken Mr. Pollock-Surely it goes further than

His Lordship-I don't see how you can shift the whole case on his shoulders by that. I don't see what is to be gained by it. If you like to rest your case on that admission, it but they denied that he was her husband. is different.

Mr. Pollock-I would put it not merely as incidental but as a double ground.

His Lordship-I don't see how it would benefit you. The onus of the whole case would still be on you. Mr. Pollock quoted authorities in support of

His Lordship however decided that it was only evidence and that it was not sufficient

shift the onus of proof on defendant. Mr. Pollock, in opening, explained the method of business as to contracts, etc., and pointed out that when the defendant found he could not carry on he filed his petition in bankruptcy. but as there was only one creditor an order in

bankruptcy could not be made. The hearing was adjourned.

> IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION. BEFORE MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (ACTING PUISNE JUDGE).

CLAIM AGAINST A SHIPPING COMPANY. Yan Wan, the lawful husband of Yun Yan Shi, deceased, and Yun Ah Mui, the infant daughter of both, brought an action against the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company Limited The counter claim stated that defendant to recover \$1,000 damages for loss sustained by Yan Shi was a passenger. The deceased had been in receipt of from \$12 to \$15 per month as wages and had contributed up to the time of her death towards the household expenses of the

> Sing appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. Hastings appeared for the defendants. Mr. Otto Kong Sing said Messrs Hastings and Hastings had written to him stating that they were willing to assume for the purposes of the case that the collision was due to

plaintiff and had paid solely for the maintenance

and education of Yun Ah Mui. Mr. Otto Kong

Plaintiff gave evidence as to the death of his

Mr. J. Hastings cross-examined plaintiff as to his marriage. He had, he said, never seen her before he married her. An old woman acted as go-between and he paid \$50. There was no wedding chair and she walked into his house.

Was there any document exchanged between you and this woman ?-No. Did you live with her until the time of her

death !- Yes. Where did you live?-We lived in Tai Wo

Street for two months and in another street How do you know she was a widow?-She

You took no means to inquire?-Yes. Of whom did you inquire?-The go-between

Would you be surprised to hear your wife had a husband in the country at the time you married her ?-No; she had no husband. Do you know a man has put in a petition to

the Registrar-General for compensation for the death of his wife who was the woman in question ?-I don't know. Did you go to Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist's

office to ask them to make a claim for your Did you ever go to any lawyer except Mr.

Otto Kong Sing to make a claim for your wife !-No. Mr. Hastings then read a letter from the

solicitors mentioned to Mesers. Jardine, Mathe son and Co. at the request of plaintiff. You did not instruct Messrs. Wilkinson and

Grist to write that letter !-- No. by the police? No. I never saw any body.

You went to the Mortuary !- Yes. With whom ?-I went alone. know. Why should I ask?

interested. Plaintiff said his wife earned from 40 to sat at home.

mine any way (Laughter).

A Chinese woman also gave evidence. She came from the same village as the plaintiff and spoke to deceased living with the plaintiff. Cross-examined-Did you know her parents?

You knew her all your life and don't know her parents?-I made a mistake. I did not know her all my life.

How long?-Four or five years.

She was married to this man?—Yes.

to my people. You know that she lived with this man and that is all you know about it-Yes.

Yu Lum, undertaker, gave evidence as to the removal of a body from the Water Police Station to the Mortuary at Yaumati. Sanitary Inspector Ward produced a burial order for the interment of the body in question.

Cross-examined—The body was not identified. Had it been identified, the name would have

been entered in the burial order. Re-examined-If a person called and identified the body and refused to pay for the burial

would that not effect the matter ?-No. If a person called after the order had been made out and identified it, would the name be sentenced him to twelve and sixpence fine. inserted ?-Yes.

Mr. Hastings said the action was brough under the Fatal Accidents Ordinance and the only persons who could claim under that Ordinance His Lordship-Only the burden of showing were the husband, wife and thild. It was perfectly evident that that meant the legal husband. Plaintiff had to prove in order to succeed that he was the legal husband of the woman alleged to have been drowned. That defendants denied. They admitted that plaintiff lived with the deceased for three years, Plaintiff had not produced any evidence in support of his claim. Mr. Hastings proposed calling evidence to prove that the deceased was still alive; and that plaintiff had no right to gather up!" whatever to bring this action.

question was reported on the 19th June, but no body corresponding to the description given was recovered from the wreck. The body of a woman answering the description was found later, but plaintiff failed to identify it.

Sergt. Caygill also gave evidence as to bodies. being recovered from the water.

A clansman of the deceased said she was married 20 years ago to Li Ting. He was present at the marriage ceremony which took it is very hard on the stranger within the place in Tunkun district. There was a bridal chair. She lived with Li Ting for a long time the country.

Cross-examined-How old are you? Twenty

You have told us you were well acquainted

with the deceased P-Yes. And knew her family ?-Yes.

Do you know the plaintiff?-No. What was her mother's name?-I don't know. How should I know a woman's name?

Witness spoke to a visit to Mr. Otto Kong Sing's office and said that a man told him to claim relationship with the deceased, but he

would not. Li Ting was next called. He said he lived in Lam-chun villagein Tunkoon. He was married, Yan Mun was his wife. She died on the 19th June last. He petitioned the Registrar-General asking for compensation for her death. He was married to her in Lam-chun village. She was then 18 years of age.

What ceremonies were there?—There was the bridal chair and some music.

Were there any documents exchanged?-Yes. What were they called?—The usual compliments of pork and cakes.

I mean the writing?-The date of birth. child name and so on, written on red paper. Had you any children by her?-Two.

She has not lived with you for some years P-Since I have been employed by the Chines e officials she has not lived with me.

How long is that? Two years ago. And she came to Hongkong ?-I only heard last year she had come to Hongkong.

Cross-examined-Where are the wedding documents?-They were destroyed after we were married.

Why?-My father did it. Intentionally P-Not intentionally. He put them away and something ate them up. Who was Yan Mun's father?-Yun Sau.

And her mother's name?—I have forgotten. His wife sent home a little money for the children. He did not know that she was living with another man....

Re-examined-He was employed as a militiaman on the forts. That was why he was away. from his wife.

The case was put in Friday's list A SOLICITOR'S COSTS.

Mr. O. D. Thomson sued Mok In Tong alias Y On Tong, compradore to Reuter, Brockelmann and Company, for \$950.65 professional costs Mr. E. J. Grist appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Bailey appeared for defendant.

Lordship reserved judgment.

TRADE MARK DECISION IN JAPAN.

Mr. Y. Toneri. Chief examiner of the Patent Bureau, has given decision on a protest lodged You failed to identify the body, when asked by Herr Mattins Hownell, of Wintemberg. Germany, against H, Labihara dealing in addition of 1,731 musical apparatus in Osaka. The etatement of displacement, but, on the other hand the appellant was that the Japanese registered following vessels are to be struck off a trade-mark No. 23,724 at the Patents Office effective list—the ancient ironclad You were not interested?-No I was not The mark adopted by the Japanese resembled that of the German merchant who had used it for a long time past. The chief examiner gave cents a day. When she was not at work she decision in favour of the German and said that the Japanese had stopped the employment of Re-examined-Is it the onstom for Chinese to of the trade-mark, which fact had been intimated see their wives before marriage?-I did not see | to the Bureau on June 15th this year -- Japan

STORYETTES.

Mr. J. M. Barrie, according to Woman's lady of his acquaintance had taken a friend to see one of his plays and quite astonished, he asked her why she did so. "Oh," was the reply, "its such a quite street for the horses!" Barrie also tells of a playgoer who received no response to his repeated request to a lady in a front of him to remove her huge hat length, exasperated, he said, "If you won't How do you know?-Her husband is related take off your hat, my door madam, will you be so kind as to fold back your ears!

Big hats led to blows, not among the wearers, in a music-hall last summer, and a lawsuit Paris followed. At the Alcazar, two men in the stalls sat behind two hats, and saw nothing else. To while away the time they shouted "Hats off!" and thumped the floor. husband of one of the hats turned round and said "You are hooligans!" The result was a Plaintiff was not at the Mortuary whilst he was fight, the exact circumstances of which will never be known, as even the exhaustive evidence given in court could not clear the matter up. In the end the Court found that two spectators, both gentlemen of honour and renown, one a wellknown architect and the other a mayor of a seaside borough, had lost their tempers in a just cause, "large hats in theatres being an acknowledged nuisance," but that one of them, the architect, had lost his temper too completely and while acquitting his friend, the Court

One day, Dr. Norman M'Leod, who was arge and healthy man, and one of his burly elders went to pay a visit to a certain Mrs. MacLaren of the congregation who lived in the Scotch hills. She was a frugal woman, but determined that they should have the best in the house. So she piled the table with jellies and jam and preserves and shortbread, and they partook unsparingly. After the meal the elder ship foundered with all hands, naturally it was said to her: "Mrs. MacLaren were you at the kirk on Sunday?" "Eh, aye," she said, "And what did you think of the treatment of the miracle?" (the sermon had been on the leaves and fishes). "I thought it was good," said Mrs. MacLaren. "And what your idea on the subject. Mrs. MacLaren? asked the minister. "Losh," said their hostess suddenly. "I'm thinkin' that if you and the woman was married in China when 18 years old elder had bin in the congregation there wadna according to Chinese custom; that her husband | bin twelve baskets of fragments for the disciples

A delightful commentary comes to light on Inspector Langley said that the collision in the discussion as to the relative dulness of London and Paris on Sunday. Two fair Americans lately entered an omnibus lumbering up Bond-street. The two ladies looked at the sternly-shuttered shops. "What place is this?" asked one. "This is Bond street," said the other. "What! Where we got those things on Friday?" "Yes," was the answer. younger lady looked about her meditatively. Then she said: "It is all right, I guess, for the ox and the ass: and I don't suppose it hurts the man-servant or the maid-servant much; but

Among the many good stories told of Bishop and came to Hongkong. Li Ting remained in Dr. Maclagan, who has just resigned the Archbishopric of York at the age of 82, is one which he used to tell with great gusto of himself. He was in a train one day with two drunken men. One of them, who declared he had been robbed of a £5 note, also announced his intention to search his fellow tranvellers. Dr. Maclagan confessed to feeling very uncomfortable as he had a £5 note in his pocket. To get over the difficulty he feigned sleep, and was in due course shaken violently. His slumber became more dense, and finally the searcher's friend enjoined "Bill" to leave him alone "Can't you see he's drunker than you are."

> Brigadier-General E. J. Stuart Wortley, speaking at the mayor's banquet at Folkestone, said that many of the unemployed did not desire to be employed. One day, on his estate ready support. in Hampshire, a man asked him for work. He said, "Yes, go to my bailiff and he will give you a spade, and I will pay you 16s. a week. "Thank God," said the man, "I cannot tell you how much obliged I am." The man then disappeared, and in two weeks' time he observed written on his gate the following words: "Do not apply for work here, because you will get

> > WHAT BEER IS MADE OF.

REMARKABLE LIST OF ARTICLES USED IN

Sir John Barker having asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer if the Inland Revenu Departments can furnish a complete list of all the articles which have come under their notice being used in the manufacture preservation of beer other than malt, hops, sugar, yeast, or water, Mr. Lloyd George gives the following list of articles in reply:-

Rice, flaked rice, rice grits, rice malt, gela-

tinised rice; maize, flaked maize, maize grits, maize flour; oat, flaked rolled, malted, crused; torrefied barley, yeast foods. Preservatives: Mainly sulphites of soda potash; and sold under various trade names, e.g., kalium metasulphite (K.M.S.), site, &c.: salicylic und boracio acids are also occasionally used as preservatives. "Burtonisers" (substances used for hardening brewing waters) are chiefly sulphates and chlorides calcium and magnesium. Neutralisers: Mainly carbonates of potash and soda and sold under various trade names, as regenerator, seid neutraliser, antacid, &c. Hop substitutes; Catechu or cutch, tannin, extrait de houblons d'Alsace. Davis's hop substitute, optanin, quassia and preparations containing quassia. Preparations used to precipitate albuminous matters from wort, mainly gelatine, Iceland moss, Irish materials: Albumen maltose, linseed. liquorice, whereby such British trade-marks should be

amide syrup (ceramide), dextrin. Mr. Lloyd George informed Sir Wm. Collins that he could not yet give a definite date for the Argument ensued as to procedure, and his hop substitutes, but he hoped to be able to bring it in shortly.

THE JAPANESE NAVY

Before the end of this year there will be two additions to the Japanese Navy, namely, the erniser Mogami (1,350 tons) and the destroyer Isonami (381 tons). These two constitute an What was her husband's name?—I don't on July 10th, 1905, and used it on various (3,718 tons); the gunboats Chokai (750 tons) musical instruments manufactured by him and Miya (950 tons); the cruiser Matsushima (4.210 tons), which was the flagship of Admiral Ito in the War with China; and eight torbedoboats. These 12 discarded vessels represent a total displacement of 12,095 tons, and if from this aggregate we subtract the figures of the two new vessels mentioned above, the result is that the tennage reduced amounts to 10,364 -Japan Mail.

SHIPPING NEWS.

The H.-A. Linie str. Barcelona left Singapore Life, tells a good story against himself. A on 8th inst. at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on 14th inst. p.m. The Austrian Lloyd's str. Persia left Singa-

pore on the 8th inst. p.m., and is due here on the 15th instant a.m. The str. Ghazes left the United Kingdom on the 6th inst. for the Far East.

Lord Muskerry, who seems to act as the monthpiece of the Merchants Service Guild in the House of Lords, asked a question of wide interest last month with regard to deck cargoes. His lordship wanted to know, whether British merchant vessels commonly leave ports in the United Kingdom in the winter time carrying deck cargoes in the form of boilers, cylinders, railway wagons, and other heavy and cumbersome material; whether the Board of Trade had any special precautions in regard to such cargoes; and he moved for a return showing the number of vessels which had carried those deck cargoes from ports in the United Kingdom, and giving particulars of accidents which had arisen out of them during the past five winter seasons. Lord Hamilton of Dalzell said that such cargoes were frequently carried, and so long as they were properly stowed and properly secured there was no reason to fear danger from them. There were no detailed regulations in regard to these cargoes; but the Board of Trade surveyors had general powers to detain any ship that was improperly loaded; and no earlier than March last at Glasgow a ship was detained until its orgo was restowed to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade surveyor. The return asked for by the noble lord couldnotbe furnished. With regard to the other part of the question asking for particulars of accidents which had arisen out of the carrying of these deck cargoes, it would be very difficult to give particulars. When a very difficult for any one to say what caused the accident. It would be impossible to compile a return that would be complete. He hoped the noble lord would not press for a return, but would leave the matter in the hands of the Board or Trade surveyors, who acted very conscien-

tionsly and without fear or favour. Another of Lord Muskerry's questions last month was as to whether official notices had been issued to the effect that, in the event of war, certain instructions would be placed in the hands of captains of British merchant ships, and, if so, what form would these instructions take: captains of British merchantships to supply information concerning the movements and doings of vessels belonging to foreign maritime Powers; and, if so. whether the Admiralty would supply information as to the text of the communication containing this invitation. The Earl of Granard said there were no official notices of the character referred to issued by the Admiralty, and the Admiralty had no intention of issuing notices of the type suggested by the

THE ENGLISH CHURCH PAGEANT OF 1909.

The Bishop of London, wrote to the papers on the 6th ult :- May I crave your kind indulgence in announcing, through your columns, that the scheme which has been under consideration for some time for the holding of the great English Church Pageant of 1909 is now fully matured? Ever since the bei inning of this year some of our highest authorities on ecclesiastical history art have generously and ungradgingly placed the results of their knowledge at the disposal of the committee, of which I have the honour to be chairman, in furtherance, of the idea of this pageant. No sconer was the project mooted than the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York and many of our Bishops gave it their

We want this pageant to be an education for old and young, and we hope that it will show, by its pictures of bygone life and the influence which religion had upon that life, something of the struggles and the trials of those who fought

for the Faith. It has been decided to hold the pageant in the grounds of Fulham Palace, which I have placed at the disposal of the committee, and in the sylvan surroundings of these historic grounds the great episodes of our Church's history will be depicted

by some 3,000 performers. "It is proposed to hold the pageant from the 10t to the 16th of June, and as the committee have secured the invaluable assistance of Mr. Frank Lascelles, whose successful conduct of Oxford Pageant of 1907 and his still more recent and magnificent work in connection with the great Tercentenary Pageant of Quebec is the recollection of all, I have every reason to believe that the English Church Pageant of 1909 will stand out as an important event in the

annals of pageantry. May I say, in conclusion, that we have secured central offices at 116, Victoria-street, where the Rev. Walter Marshall, F.S.A., the vice-chairman of the committee, will be pleased to answer inquiries and enlist volunteers for the performances of the pageant.

JAPAN AND BRITISH TRADE-MARKS

In the House of Commons last month, Sir G. S. Robertson (Bradford, Central Min.) asked the Secretary of the State for Foreign Affairs whether his attention had been drawn to the continued use by certain Japanese merchants of counterfeits of the registered British trademarks borne upon Bradford and Manchester piece goods: whether he was aware that this practice had increased greatly of late; and so whether any steps were contem-Majesty's Government moss, alginol, ibrite, &c. Miscellaneous brewing to bring about some arrangement with Japan

Sir E. Grey (Northumberland, Berwick) .-The reply to the first question is in the introduction of the Bill to prohibit the use of affirmative, and to the second in the negative. As regards the protection of British trademarks in Japan, his Majesty's Government have been in communication with the Japanese Government, and it is understood that, owing to recent decisions of the Japanese Courts, the position is now more satisfactory. As regards the fraudulent use of British trademarks in China, negotiations for the conclusion of convention with Japan are now proceeding for the mutual protection of British and Japanese

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THE FUTURE OF HOLLAND.

The Revue de Paris publishes an anonymous article on the condition of the Netherlands. The article would appear to be intended as a warning, or at all events, as a spur to the Government of The Hague. The writer is frankly pessimistic in his views of the destiny of Holland unless she undergoes a military. naval, and diplomatic awakening. The problem of the Dutch succession, he says, is one which may arise at any moment in view of the uncertainty of life, and is fraught with the gravest dangers not only to Holland herself.

but also to the peace of Europe. From a military point of view, the article proceeds, Holland is in a lamentable condition. Intelligent in some cases to the point of genius. the officers of all ranks think more of their personal contributions to military literature than of the Army itself, with the result that cohesion and discipline are seriously compromised. The possibility of aggression is not the only thing to be considered. The strikes of 1903 showed this. The first succeeded owing to the lack of troops in barracks, while the second failed, but only

owing to the threat of intervention. With regard to the Navy the article points out that things are no better. In the spring of 1905 it was common knowledge at The Hague that one of the beligerents in the Russo-Japanese War wished to obtain freedom of entry for its Fleet into the Bay of Sabang, and it was only with the greatest effort that Holland was able to preserve her neutrality and prevent this peaceful invasion. Despatches from Tokyo cast doubts on the nentrality of the Dutch East Indies, and Holland was obliged to send her fleet of five cruisers o 6.000 tons to the coasts of Sabang, thus completely uncovering the rest of her coastline, and, what is worse. moving her entire forces away from home on account of a menace to her neutrality. Diplomatically Holland appears to the writer to be in no better position. Her expressed desire is to pursue a policy of independence. But when it comes to questions of fact events throw no light on this policy, which seems to consits in a morbid fear of mixing in anything in which she would have to express a decisive

The writer asks why Holland cannot see that in order to preserve her cherished isolation it is necessary to negotiate with foreigners, in order that when a crisis arises she may not find herself stifled between the rival ambitions of, say, Germany and England. He points out that up to the present she has succeeded in holding the balance true, but only by counting on exterior support, even though she may not acknowledge it even to herself, and that this support can only be that of France. France, therefor, must take an interest in the Dutch succession, in which at present no fewer than forty-one persons are

directly interested. The peace of the world, the writer holds depends on the Dutch succession being decided for the best before any international crisis can

SIZE OF COMETS.

In his interesting work on "The Sole System" Professor Poor gives a striking ille stration of the extreme minuteness of certain comets. Minuteness, that is to say measure by the the amount of matter they contain, I this matter may be spread over enormous area Thes, the average density of such a comet ma be 1-7,000th that of the air at the surface of the earth. This represents a vacuum more perfe than any that can be produced in the laborator "It has been said," Professor Poor tells "that if an ordinary telescopic comet of fifty one hundred thousand miles in diameter cou be brought into a laboratory, it could be ou densed and packed away in a pill-box a comfortably carried around in one's pocke This only applies, of course, to the minu

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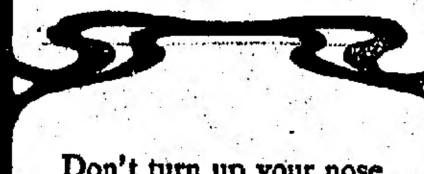
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THE NINTH DREADNOUGHT

PREMIER AND THE NAVY. The Naval Correspondent of the London four screws. Daily Telegraph on the 6th ult. wrote as follows :--

good fortune attend all who sail in her." With Minister, will to-morrow afternoon name advanced towards completion. The Collingwood | many, and one to Brazil. belongs to the latter category. She could have been christened and sent affoat several weeks ago, but it has been covenient to the workmen and economical to keep her on the slip. In consequence of this delay she will be the heaviest dead-weight which has ever been launched at Devonport, displacing about 8,000 to business people, and they are to be congratu-

tons of water. The occasion is one of peculiar interest, because, not certainly for many years, if ever, has the wife of a Prime Minister taken the foremost part in such a ceremony. To-morrow not only will Mrs. Asquith break the bottle of only in spirit—a groaning spirit. Engrossed the task of finding the necessary money for the Fleet from year to year, these occasions give rise usually to sad reflections, rather than to patriotic satisfaction on the part of a Premier. Such a vessel as the Collingwood represents to him, not so much a further link in the chain of Imperial defence, as a heavy drain on the national exchequer. Asthe huge grey-painted mass travels down the well-greased ways into the Hamoaze tomorrow, with a final mighty plunge, amid enthusiastic cheers from thousands of spectators, Mr. Asquith will see in this mind's eye nearly two millions sterling being withdrawn from the Treasury. This ship will cost as much as this by the time she is ready for the pennant, stored, victually, and manned for sea service-twenty times as much as Nelson's flagship at Trafalgar. But, even in face of such a draught on the national resources, Mr. Asquith will be in a position to say, "I told you so" to those who even to-day, in spite of all the circumstances of the hour, urge smaller appropriations for the Navy. When he was already within sight of high office at the Treasury he stated in the

House of Commons: There are two branches of national expendi ture to the diminution of which I see no prospect, and for the diminution of which I have no desire. One is the money-we spend on national education, and the other is the money we spend upon the Fleet.

Six years have passed since Mr. Asquith, in Opposition, made this confession of faith to the House of Commons, and now, in a position of the highest honour and greatest responsibility, he will watch a battleship, representing £2,000,000 sterling, sent affoat. The nava expenditure when he spoke, and to-day, compared

Total naval outlay £83,904,099 £31,952,393 Vote for new con-

£8,534,917 £7,545,202 struction ... It is already known that the Navy Estimates next March must show a considerable increase above the present level, if our position as the greatest sea-Power is to be adequately maintained.

What shall be said of the Collingwood? of course, the latest word in battleship design. Her displacement, it is generally reported, will be 19,250 tons, but there is reason to think that this figure will actually be exceeded as in the case of the Dreadnought, which is still given in the "Navy List", as of 17,900 tons though at mean draught to exceed 20,000 tons. However that the Collingwood is a Dreadnought, the ninth in direct line of "all big-gun ships" to take the water since his Majesty himself christened the name-vessel of the class at Portsmouth on Fab. 10, 1906. sister battleships are in hand the St. Vincent which was launched at Portsmouth on Sept. 10 last, and the Vanguard, which will shortly be sent affoat at Barrowin-Furness, where she was begun in April. The general charactistics

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most powerful weapon ever carried by any

The main armament of the Collingwood is apparently similar to that of the Dreadnought, but this is not so. The Dreadnought carries a 45-calibre gun, whereas that to be mounted in the Collingwood is of 50 calibres, details of which are still regarded as confidential. It is the

man-of-war. For defence against torpedo craft, the Collingwood is also better equipped. The new 4in gun which she will mount a much more efficient weapon than the nounder gun of the Dresdnought, and is even superior in some respects to the 4.7in gun which did such good work in South Africa. has a particularly high muzzle energy and velocity, and it is claimed that it can maintain an effective fire of ten rounds a minute. The new 4in gun compares thus with the old weapon of the same calibre, and the contrast forms an interesting illustration of the progress which

nos been made in naval artillary in the past ten years :--New gun. 50 calibres 40 calibr Weight ... 42cwt 26cwt 13lb cordite Charge Projectile 2,300ft Muzzle velocity 2800ft per sec. Muzzle energy 1,200ft-tone
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In general design, though there are these and other variations in detail, the Collingwood is of the same type as the Dreadnought, with leaving was 555 994. the same number of heavy gines the same radius of action, the same speed. She is a The movement in both directions was greater

Literally she consists of five armoured fortresses, each with two 12in guns, and round these, for nautical reasons, has been built a hull, which accommodates the orew and holds the eighteen watertube boilers to supply steam to the turbines, which, in turn, will rotate the

The Collingwood will be ready to hoist the pennant in about fifteen months, and by the "I christen this ship Collingwood, and may summer of 1910 the British Navy will possess on active service ten, all-big-gun ships, the such words Mrs. Asquith, the wife of the Prime Dreadnought, Indomitable, Inflexible, Invineible, all now completed; the Bellerophon and the latest leviathan battleship of the British | Temernire, nearly ready for service; the Superb, fleet—the Dreadnought's youngest, but. St. Vincent, Collingwood, and Vanguard, or mightier, sister. Only as recently, as with the Lord Nelson and Agamemnon, each Eeb. 3 last the first keel-plates of this vessel, with four 12in and ten 9.2in guns, twolve ships. were laid, and, now, after an interval of Of the forty-five battleships or battleship-just over nine months, she will take the cruisers of the new types which are, or are water. The launching coremony has, however, being, built for the world's navies, nineteen will little relation to the readiness of a man-of-war have been launched by to-morrow. Eleven of for active service, for she may at the moment be these are under the British flag, two belong to merely a skeleton hull, or she may be well Japan, two to the United States, three to Ger-

#### THE STRENGTHENGING OF LLOYD'S

The committee of Lloyd's have lately been called upon to solve a problem of great interest lated on having arrived at a satisfactory solntion, says the Times Commercial Supplement, The business of insurance is conducted on the upper floor of the Royal Exchange, by a large number of private underwriters who act for a far larger number of "names" and the Australian wine on the Collingwood a secondary been how to provide that every genuine common by her husband, the First Lord of the Treasury.

The Chief Minister of the State has automatically when it is presented. We say that the public has really suffered in the past be the failure of private underwriters; there have certainly been failures, but other underwriting members have rallied to the assistance, or the brokers who placed the risks have paid the loss out of their own pockets rather than let their; clients be the poorer. The security provided for the public in the past may have been even greater than that offered by a first/class insurance office, but it has been less tangible, for, in the case of a company, the balance-sheet shows the sums set aside for unearned premiums, the reserves, and capital, including usually a very large amount; uncalled. Lloyd's policies like those of the companies, find their way into every part of the world, and cover a multitude of business sperations, and if there be only a suspicion of shock in London, a tremor will be felt in the ramifications in the Colonies and foreign countries. That is why we stated the case plainly in the summer and why we said then that the committee would probably find it necessary to reassure the public by instituting an audit of accounts, and by providing that in all cases funds intended to meet claims should be set apart for that purpose only.

DETAILS OF THE SCHEME. At a representative meeting the proposals of the committee received the unanimous. approval of the general body of underwriting members, and the scheme, which is twofold, will take effect from the end of this: year. As matters stand at present every underwriting member of marine risks has deposited with the committee a minimum sum of £5,000 in securities as a fund, which, in the event of failure, would be drawn upon to liquidate liabilities. From the end of this year practically every underwriter will voluntarily submit his accounts to an independent audit, and in those cases where his liabilities are secured by his deposit (arrived at by taking the average amount of claims outstanding at the end of the previous three years) there is nothing nore to be said In the large number of cases, however, where the deposit does not bear a proper proportion to liabilities, an auditor's certificate must be produced to the committee by an accountant approved by them stating that a sufficient the accountant will be required to state that this sum is held by trustees for that purpose only, so that whatever the underwriter's misfortunes may be outside the Room this sum is hypothecated for the security of his policy holders. The acceptance of this plan by every member is voluntary, but as the names of all those who comply with its requirements will be marked on a board, members who do not see their way to agree to the audit will. no doubt. soon find themselves left out in the cold. The scheme comes into operation after a period of lean years, so the test will be more exacting than if it were first made after years when profits had been particularly good. all other classes of insurance transacted at Lloyd's, including fire risks but excepting Work men's Compensation (provided for separately by a recent Act of Parliament), the official deposit does not apply, but as there is a system of private guarantees the security is undoubtedly excellent. The guarantee must be equivalent to the underwriter's premium income for the previous year, each guarantor is limited to a sum of £250 for any one individual, has himself to be guaranteed, and members of the same group are not permitted to guarantee each other. When in front of this is placed a surre held in trust and certified by auditors to be In Chinese for instance, both the adjective and sufficient to provide for liabilities, the reserver, the genitive precede their nouns, while in the held assume very handsome proportions. The new requirements are strict, and it is even

Room "-The Times Commercial Supplement. A RECORD EMIGRATION YEAR. REMARKABLE FIGURES.

possible that before they come into effect they

may be made severer; one thing is certain,

namely, that Liloyd's underwriters are deter-

mined that isolated cases of weakness shall not

again bring into question the fair name of the

A White Paper issued last month gives statistics relating to emigration and immigration from and into the United Kingdom for 1907. The total number of inward and outward passengers of all classes and nationalities, and excess of outward over inward passengers to and from non-European countries were as follow :- the Empire, The Allas (or Ngai Lao) appear lance outward. 341.316. These figures were the highest recorded for any year: 110,041, and out- numerous, if not most important, of all of the going passengers were cabin passengers, and pre-Chinese races of South China. Incidentally 524.901 steerage.

directions, then the net number of outgoing | Heanwi Chronicle with the same meaning, but passengers roughly represents the number of used of a Shan clan, is no accident. It is not actual emigrants, whether of foreign or British improbable that Yunnan, under the name of nationality. Of this number 235,092 were Mong Se-Long, was a Shan town before British, and 109.857 were foreigners.

With regard to the countries patronised by the emigrants: 132,354 went to British North America, 7,613 to Australia, 6,272 to New Zealand, 2,341 to India, and 124,754 to the United States. With regard to passengers to and from Euro-

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there are Chinese words in the Shan language. I am convinced that all these things can be accounted for without assuming racial connection. Away from Chinese influence the Shans do not resemble the Chinese more than do other races, as Karens or Burmans, who are know to be not Chinese, whatever they are. I know a Chinese-Shan who affects the Chinese tonsure, braids his hair, wears Chinse clothes, can speak and write Chinese, and for all that I know to the contrary a Chinaman may have conred his grandmother. In the same way there are Shans in Rangoon and other places who effect Burman ways, speak Burmese and wear loonbyis and many have Burmese blood in them, but this does not prove that the Shans as a race are related to Burmans. The Shan features apart from Chinese influence on the one side and Burmese influence on the other are quite distinct.

The argument from language is weaker still. Of above two thousand words examined I found less than one per cent. of Chinese in Western Shan and less than three per cent, in Chinese-Shan and many of these were official and commercial terms manifestly borrowed. Attention has several times; been called to the fact that some of the names of numbers from one to ten are the same in Shan and Chinese. This also is a case of borrowing. Some of the old Shan names are retained. A similiar case of borrowing is now going on among Western Shans from the Burmese.

If the Shan and Chinese languages have a common origin they should show it in their grammatical structure, but it is right here the evidence against a common origin is strongest. Shan they invariably follow. The force of this fact will be evident to any student of comparative philology. If the Shans and the Chinese were dug out

of the same hole, say four or five thousand years ago, why is it that the latter brought with them letters and other instruments of civilisation while the former remained in unlettered barbarism until comparatively recent times? And when they did go to school three thousand years later they did not learn letters from a Chineman but from their southern neighbours. These and other reasons which I need not stop to give here convince me that the Shans are only one of the races of China before the Chinese.

Terrien De La Couperie not only declares that the Tai-Shan are one of the pre Chinese races of China but seems to trace them from even the extreme East and South East parts of 1907.—Outward: 654.949; inward, 993.633 ba- to be a branch of the widely spread Tsu tribes which would seem to have been the most this anthority states that "wu-tu " was an old Assuming the numbers of passengers travelling | Shan name for tiger and it is therefore evident for business or pleasure was about equal in both that the reappearance of the same name in the Chinese supremacy.

I met an educated Chinaman the other day who had figured out the relation of the Shans to the Chinese to a nicety. He said, in substance, that when the Chinese conquered Burma at about the beginning of the Christian era they kidnapped a lot of Burman pirls and dropped their progeny along the line between the two countries and that from these hybrid babies the Shan race has descended. Both the act and the argument are characteristically Chinese but lacks documentary evidence.

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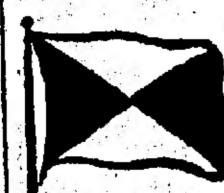
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•	ON	CALCUTTA:-	11502
		Telegraphic Transfer	126
•		Bank, on demand	.1263
•	On	SHANGHAI:	.1407
•	1.1	Bank, at sight	753
			.768
	On	YOKOHAMA: On demand	913
•	ON	MANIA -On damand Posts	921
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	On	HAIPHONG:—On demand  SAIGON:—On demand  BANGKOK:—On demand	1018
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SUBSIDIARY COINS.

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BAR SILVER, per oz. 22-8

per cent. .....20 cents pieces ......23.96 discount Chinese .....10 Hongkong ... 20 ......83.65 Hongkong ... 10 .....83.75

THE GERMAN MAIL. The I.G.M. str. Prins Waldemar left Sydney an Tuesday the 17th ult. at 6 p.m., and may be

expected here to-day. German Malls with dates from Berlin of the

THE CANADIAN MAIL

THE ENGLISH MAIL The P. & O. str. Delta left Singapore for this port on the 5th instant at 8.30 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here today at about 10 a.m.

The T.K.K. str. Hongkong Maru sails from Yokohama on the 7th inst., and will be due to arrive in Hongkong on the 16th instant. She carries the American Mail from San Francisco on 17th ult.

THE INDIAN MAIL. The Indo-China str. Laisang left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on 1st inst. The Indo-China str. Kutsung from Calcutta

The N.G.I. str. Ischia left Singapore for this pected here to day.

the 4th inst. p.m., and may be expected here to-The N.Y.K. str. Kawachi Maru (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., and is expected here to-day.

left Port Darwin on the 3rd inst., for Manila and this port. The Ben Line str. Bentledi from Middlesbro! Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 5th

on the 6th inst., and is expected to arrive here. on the 12th inst. The N.Y.K. str. Yetorofu Maru (Bombay

and Singapore on the 30th ult., and is expected here on the 21st inst.

#### PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Haiching, from Foochow and Amoy,

F. Smith and W. E. Odgers, v.s. N.

#### PASSENGERS EXPECTED.

Per I.G.M. htt. Derflinger due on the 17th Dec.—Mr and Mrs A. B. Crew, Mr and Mrs H. B. McCov. Prof. Dr. Friedland, Messrs C. Kencke, H. Hagedorn, W. Lorey, O. Filitz, C. Turloff, G. Wallrafe, M. Luigia, C. Anna and Missionary H. Marrer.

Per I.G.M. etr. P. E. Friedrich due on the 31st Dec.-Mr and Mrs J. Wuku, Dr. and Mrs R. R. Walker, Rev. and Mrs F. H. Hewett, Mrs A. Prohl, Dr. Jahrling and family, Dr. L. Gorodiski, Inspector J. Nulson and family.

Miss Johnston and Pastor Kriele. 28th Jan.-Rev. S. G. Tope and Bev. C. D. Consins.

H	ongkong,	December 9th.
. COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alliambra Banks	Ps 200	Nominal,
Hongkong & S'hall	1 6	\$850, calco London 283.
National Boof China		fol, boyers
Bell's Asbestos E.A	124 63.	\$8, buyers
China-Borneo Co	\$12	\$11, sellers
China Light & P. Co.,.	<b>\$10</b> }	\$51, sellers
China Provident	\$1 \$10	\$9.75, buyers
Cotton Mills—		1, see
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 70, buyers
Hongkong	210	\$10, sellera
Laon Knne Mow	TIB. 70	Tls. 56, buyers
Laon Kong Mow Soychee	Tla. 500	Tla. 721, sellers Tla. 240, buyers
Dairy Farm	16	\$224.
Docks and Wharves-	11.1	11/
H. &K. Wharf & G.		\$44; sellers
H. & W. Dock	\$50	\$91, sellers
New Amoy Dock		\$91
Shanghai Dock	The AMY	Th. 80.
Shai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 143.
Fenwick & Co., Geo	\$20	\$12, sellers
Green Island Cement.		\$10, sales & sel.
Hongkong & C. Gas	£1C	\$190, buyers
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$18, buyers
Hongkong Hetel Co:	\$50	\$80, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co	\$25	\$280, sellers
H.K. Milling Co., Ld.		
in liquidation	\$100	Nominal,
Hongkong Rope Co	\$10	\$24:
Insuratices	- 1	
Campon	\$50	\$195,
China Kira	100	ATOM.

#### VESSELS EXPECTED.

The I.G.M. str. Derflinger carrying the 18th ult., has left Colombo on Sunday the 6th inst. p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday the 17th inst.

The C.P.R. str. Empress of India arrived Shanghai at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday the 8th inst., and left again at 8 p.m. same day for Hongkong where she is due to arrive at 11 p.m.

THE AMERICAN MAIL

and the Straits left Singapore for this port on 4th inst.

MERCHANT STEAMERS. The N.Y.K. str. Totomi Maru (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Colombo and Singapore on the 17th ult., and is expected here to day.

port on morning the 1st inst., and may be ex-The H.-A. Linie str. Aragonia left Cebu on

The E. & A. str. Empire from Sydney etc.

instant for this port. The Glen Line str. Glenearn left Singapore

Line) left Bombay for this port via Colombo

Per Segovia, from Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs Miss Stringe, Miss Bate, Messrs Monison and

Per Rubi from Manila, Mrs M. Westcott Messrs C. Smith, J. P. Lawler, Fusioka, H. L. Babcomb, D. C. Collins, G. L. Judson, J. F. Traleg, D. Urmeneta, L. Litibank, O. Kendall, J. E. Huntshorn, G. Francis, G. P. Temple

Per Hakata Maru, for London, etc., Mr and Mrs Tasker, Mr and Mrs Matsuda, Mrs G. F. Hare, Master Tasker, Messrs M. A. Raeburn Laighton, H. T. Tapliss, C. V. Thomas, M Tsudzuki, K. Kawashima, Paul Wesemann, K. Nakano, C. Kashima, S. Ozeki, Pearson, R. Haining, J. Gibson, R. Yenamo, Middleton and R. Rubeck.

Barometer 9 A.m. 80.17 | Therm. (Wetbulb) 9 A.m. 57 Barometer 1 r.m., 80.13 | Therm. (Wetbulb) 1 r.m.57 Mesers Marty and J. L. Mowinckel. Barometer 4 P.M. S(1.10 | Therm: (Wetbulb) 4 P.M.57 Per I.G.M. str. Lutzow due on the 14th Jan. Thermom. 9 Lm. 80 Therm. Maximum .....60

-Mr and Mrs Lockwood, Mr, Mrs and Craig, Thermom 1 P.M. 60 Per I.G.M. str. P. R. Luitpold due on the

Per I.G.M. str. Pringess Alice due on the 11th Feb.—Mrs B. Wagner and child. Ben I.G.M. att Klaist due on the 25th Feb. Mr. and Mrs Courvosier Callet, Major and Mrs Dann, Mrs Waldhansen and companion, Miss B. Courvosier, Miss E. Dann, Messrs Schroder, O. Schutz, R. Richter and A. Wagner.

JOINT ST	DOK S	HARES.	Visitors'	AT HOTELS.	
Hongkong, December 9th.			Henckong Hotel		
. COMPANY.	PAID UP	QUOTATIONS.	Mr. P. R. Adams	Sir Francis Lovell	
			Mr. A. R. Allen Miss M. L. Baldwin	Mr. H. Mackenzie	
Alliambra	Ps 200	Nominal,			
Banks			Mr. G. Bertram	Mrs. A. B. McCalloch Mr. G. C. McIntosh	
Hongkong & S'hait	ator!	\$860 sales	Dr. G. D. R. Black	Dr. G. W. McKean	
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National B. of China	tet .48	Sol byers	Mr. Mrs. W. Bramwell	Oaborn	
Bell's Asbestos E.A	PROF WAT	\$8, buyers	Mr. & Mrs Chiaverini Mrs G. M. Clark	Mr. and Mrs. C. C.	
Chine-Borneo Co	1.14	De the coast.	Mr. H. E. Colvin	Mr. B. L. Packer	
		\$11, sellers	Mr. H. L. Condon	Mr. A. W. J. Peake	
China Light & P. Co.,.	811	\$51, sellers	Mr. H. H. Crock	Dr. and Mrg. W. W.	
China Provident	\$10	\$9.75, buyers	Mr. J. S O. Dobie	Pearse	
Cotton Mills-		1,146	Mr. A. L. G. Doty	Dr. and Mrs. de	
Ewo	Tls. 50	Tls. 70, buyers	Mrs. O. P. Downing Mr. & Mrs. J.F. Elliot	Mr. N. Potergen	
Hongkong	THE STATE OF	\$10, sellers	Master Elliot	Mr. L. E. Phipps	
International	Tls. 75	Tls. 56, buyers	Dr. K. Ellie	Mr. E. H. Ray	
Laou Knng Mow Soychee	Tle. 100		Mr. F. Eerom	Major & Mrs. B. B. Ray	
and the same	T18. 500	Tla. 240, buyers	Mr. and Mrs. J. T.	or. W. V. Robinson	
Dairy Farm	16	\$221.	Fitzgerald Mrs. L. B. S. Forster	Mrs. R. Rodgor & child	
Docks and Wharves	1.	1. 2.2	Mr. C. France:	Mr. J. P. Rodier Mr. V. Roditi	
H. & W. Dock		904 sellers	Mr. F. Fseke	Mr. & Mrs. A Schaefer	
New Amoy Dock	283	401	Mr. Denman Fuller	Mr. P. Sch athofer	
· DEBERTAN LOCK	.PTIa. 400`	I THE ROLL	Capt T. A. Hall	Mr. C. W. Smith	
Shai & H. Wharf	Tls. 100	Tls. 143.	Mrs. A. Hendersen.	Mr. J. Spittles	
Formish & Co. of co.	457		Hon. Mr. E. A. Lewett Mr. H. H. Hoyt		
Fenwick'& Co., Geo	\$20	\$12, sellers	Mr. V. Hun ington	Mr. J. W. St. wart Mrs. G. M. Stoney	
Green Island Cement.	\$10	\$10 cales & cal	Capt. R. Innes	r. H. P. Thomas	
1 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	810	\$10, Bales & Bel.	Mr. L. Jupp	M . J. F. I racey	
Hongkong & C. Gas	£1C	\$190, buyers	Mr. M. E. Kelly	Mrs. J. F. Tracev	
Hongkong Electric	\$10	\$18, buyers	Mr. & Mrs Y Koerrer	Mr. D. Urmeneta	
Hongkong Hetel Co Hongkong Jee Co		\$80, buyers	Mr. J. R. Lawler	Mr. C. Wallach	
H.K. Milling Co., Ld.	- \$25	\$280, sellers	Mr. & Mis. E C. Layton	M. F. C. Waterbury	
in liquidation	\$ino	Nominal,	I wer of regiden	Miss Whalan	
Hongkong Rope Co		\$24:	Mr. & Mrs. O. Warne-	Mr. L. Wilson	
Insurances	1		ford Lock	Mr. S. Wolff	
Canton	\$50	\$195.	Mr. & Mr. R. J. Louis	Mr. J. D. Woods	
China Fire	\$20	\$1031, buyers	March St. Was get		
China Traders	\$25	\$871.	King EDW		
Houghoug Fire North China			Mr. G. E. Allen	Mr. W. Leighton	
Union Chillians	26		Mr. & M.s. L. P. Bailey Mr. & Mrs. & Benson	Mr. & Mrs. E. Lanz	
Union	\$100 \$60	\$320, buyers \$100.	Mr. H. Briggs		
Land and Building.		water the	Mr. G. K. Brownsiger	Mr. & Mrs. J. Macdonald Dr. M. Mablo	
Hongkong Landing.	1.0	4	Mr. R. C. Burgess	Mr. H. J. Mardling	
Humphrey's Estate		\$98, sellers	Mr. G. H. Corse	Mr. T. D. McKay	
Kowloon Land & B.	130	\$85, Bales	MY. C. S. Coy	Mr. H. N. Mody	
Shanghai Land	Tie.""50"	Tis, 1161;	Sir James and Lady	Mr. Tho. D. Morgan	
WestPointBuilding	\$50	346, sellets	Miss & shine	Mr. D. M. Nicobean	
Mining Com	1.72	101111111	The Felvis	Capt. & Mrs. W. C. Passmore	
Charbounages	Fcs. 250	\$580, buyers	Mr. W.M. Feiran	Chinds Acades Tibe	
Raubs	18/10	\$9, buyers	Mr. & Mrs. J.S 400 dell	Mr. M. D. Rayon	
Peak Tranways	\$ \$10	fis.	omar. & Mre. Grenfell	Mr. Mrs. A.E. Robinson	
The state of the s	\$1	22.	mr. d. dare	4 child	
Philippine Co	* \$io	\$8, sellers	Mr. & Mrs. Harrington	M. s. F. E. Ryan	
Refineries—			Mr. J. H. Dermann	Mr. T. Skinger	
China Sugar	\$100	\$1124.	AND THE STREET	Mes. A. Q. Smith	

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\$5 \$15, buyers

\$25 \$24, buyers \$5 \$5, sellers

\$10 \$9, sellers

\$7 \$4, sellers

\$10 . \$21, Lellers

\$10 \$9, buyers

\$4 \$124, \$10 \$230.

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 10th to 16th 1908.

HONGKONG METEOBOLOGICAL

Hongkong Observatory, December 9th

Highest open air Temperature on 8th ..... 68
Lowest open air Temperature on 8th ..... 64

MESSRS: FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.

December 9th.

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS.

M. The Arabourer Palaguage.

at 4 p.m. 10 a.m. at 4 p.m.

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Therm. Minimum over

80.17

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\$17, sellers

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### BTEAMERS.

ADDENHAM, British str., 3,808, St. John George, 7th Dec.—Japan, Yokohama 25th November, and Kobe 2nd December, General—Gibb, Livingston & Co. BAN-TEH. American str., 329, D. Francisco Fabrigor, 5th Nov.—Manila 2nd Nov. Sugar—Order. Mr. and Mrs. D. H. CHINA, American str., 3,186, D. E. Friele, 1st

Dec. San Francisco 3rd Nov., Mails and General-P. M. S. S. Co. CHIPSHING, British str., 1,199, F. Mooney, 2nd Dec.—Tientsin 25th Nov., General—Jandine Matheson & Co. CHOSHUN MARU, Japanese str., 1,303, Suruga 7th Dez.-Shanghai 1st Dec., Rice-Obsky

Shosan Kaisha DENBIOHERITE, British str., 2,439, D. Davis 4th December Shanghai, 1st December General—Shewan, Tomes & Co. Esang, British str., 1,127, Meyerick, 5th Dec.

Newshwang and Dainy 24th November, Beans.—Jardine, Matheson & Co. Far, Norwegian str., 860, C. Wagle, 17th Nov.
—Manila 13th November, Ballast—Aagaard Thoresen & Co. FRITHJOF, No. wegian str., 891, Andersen, 4th

Dec.-Quang-Yen 29th Nov., Lime and stone Aagaard, Thoresen & Co. GREGORY APCAR, British str., 2,961, S. H. Belson, 5th Dec. - Singapore 27th Nov General-David Sassoon & Co. HAIMUN, British str., 636, J. W. Evans, 8th.

Dec.—Swatow 7th December, General. Donglas, Lapraik & Co. Handchow, British str., 999, Mawley, 5th Dec. -Shanghai and Swatow 3rd Doo., General -Butterfield & Swire.

HILARY, German str., 1,276, Hatje, 4th Dec. Pulo Lant 29th November, Coal-Sander Wieler & Co. HINSANG, British str., 1,526, A. Smith; 28th

Nov.—Samarang 16th November, Sugar— Jardine, Matheson & Co. Hongkong, French str., 742, Corneliusen, 8th Dec.—Haiphong 1st and Hoihow 6th Mr. & Mrs. J. Macdonald

Dec., General A. R. Marty. HSIN CHANG, Chinese str., 1,258, J. Whittlaw, 6th Dec. Shanghai 3rd Dec. General-C. M. S. N. & Co.

KEONGWAI, German str., 1,115, T. Kohler, 6th . Dec. Bangkok vis Aughin 21st Nov. General-Butterfield & Swire.

Kohsichang, German str., 1,292, C. Rosiefsky 5th Dec. Bangkok 19th Nov., Rico and Timber—Butterfield & Swire. Kwongsang, British att., 1,428; Palmer Baker, 8th Dec.—Shanghai and Swatow 7th Dec. General Jardine, Matheson & Co. "

KWANGLEE, Chinese str., 1,487, R. Lincoln, 5th Dec.—Shanghai 2nd Dec., General-C. M. S. N. Co. LARRITES, British str., 1,340, C. H. Hampson, 4th Dec. Saigon 25th Nov., General-

Lennox, British etr., 2,361, F. M. Nair, 16th November-Shanghai 13th Nov. General-C. P. R. LIGHTNING, British str., 2,122, A. E. Gentles, 3rd Dec.-Singapore 25th Nov., General-

Chinese.

David Sassoon & Co. Mrs. Dennya's child & LOKSANG, British str., 978, G. H. Bouter, 4th Dec.—Chefoo 28th Nov., Beans Jardine, Matheson & Co. LUCHOW, British str., 1,216, Badeley, 8th Dec .- Wuhu 30th Nov. and Chinking-3rd

December, General—Butterfield & Swire. MANCHURIA, American str., 8,750, J. W. Saunders, 7th Dec .- San Francisco 10th Nov., Mails and General—P. M. S. S. Co. MARIE, British str., 1,169, Christiansen, 7th Dec.—Newchwang and Chefoo 5th Dec., General—Jebsen & Co.

MERAPI, Dutch etr., 1,598, E. Uldall, 5th Dec. -Samarang, 16th Nov., Sugar-Chinese. PITSANULOK, German str., 1,267, D. Reimers. 7th Dec Bangkok 25th Nov., Rice and Meal Butterfield & Swire.

PROMETHEUS Norwegian str. 1024, Korneliussen 6th Dec. - Wuhu 27th Nov. and Swatow 5th Dec. Hamburg Amerika Linie. QUINTA, German str., 987, F. Frahm, 5th Nov. -Chinking 1st Dec., General-Siemssen

SHAOHSING, British str., 1,307, McIntosh, 6th Dec.—Shanghai 2nd Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.

SIMONGAN, Dutch str., 1,200, Vos. 5th Dec.-Singapore 26th Nov., General-Chinese. SINGAN, British str., 1,047, F. Jamieson, 6th Dec .- Haiphong and Hoihow 5th Dec. Rice and Live stock-Butterfield & Swire. SULTON VAN LANGEAT, Dutch str., 2,293, Liberg, 7th Dec.-Nagasaki 28th Nov., Ballast Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SUNGKIANG, British str., 896, Pennefather, 25th Nov.—Iloilo 21st November, Sugar— Butterfield & Swire. SWANLEY, British str., 2,988, W. E. Steele, 15th Nov.—Chingwantao 9th Nov., Coal—Shewan Tomes & Co.

SZECHUEN, British str., 1,157, Sidford, 29th Nov.-Chefoo 25th Nov., General-Butterfield & Swire. TAKASAKI MARU, Jap. str., 3,000, A. Mocker, 28th Nov. Bombay and Singapore 19th

Nov., General-Nippon Yusen Kaisha, TAMING, British sts., 1,360, A. Somerville, 4th Dec.—Manila 1st Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire. TARANG, British str., 87, Oliver, 7th, Dec. Palan sland 15th November, Iron-G. P.

TINGSANG, British str., 1,045, R. Y. Andrew, 7th Dec.-Wuhu 2nd Dec., Rice-Jardine Matheson & Co. TJIBODAS, Dutch str., 2,953, P. Zwart, 4th Dec.-Moji 29th Nov., Coal-Java-China-

Japan Liin. IJIPANAS, Dutch str., 2,444, A. W. La Rooy, 6th Dec.—Pulce Lavet 29th Nov., General -Java-China-Japan Lijn. USHER, British str., 2,350, Perry, 27th Oct.-Manila 23rd October, Ballast-Master.

WAISHING, British str., 1,170, W. R. Bichard, 5th Dec.-Chinkiang 1st Dec., General-Jardine. Matheson & Co. YESAN MARU, Japanese str., 2,329, Aoke, 8th

Dec.-Kutchinotsu 2nd Dec., Coal-Mitsu Busan Kaisha. YUENSANG, British str., 1,128, P. H. Rolfe,

7th Dec.-Manila 4th Dec. General-Jardine, Matheson & Co. SAILING VESSELS.

DAYLIGHT, British barque, 3,060, M. Bryde,

9th October-Yokohama 19th September, Ballast-Standard Oil Co.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL. November 4th-Aragonia, Claverdon. 7th Tennkai, Ville de la Ciotat. 11th-Benledi, Glenwon, Soyo Maru. 14th Menclans, Telemachus, Karcachi Maru, Lituania. 18th-Thesens. 21st-Carnarvonshire. 25th-Derflinger, Benvorlich, Bumatra, Bunda, Shimosa, Yunnan, 28th—Surnga, Peleus, Banuki Maru, Silesia. December 2nd—Tranquebar, Soudan, Sumatra, Tonkin. 5th—Bellerophon, Monmouththere, Polynesien, Ellen Rickmers, Hyson, Nyanza, Silesia (Aus.) 9th-Benlarig, Glene.

ARRIVALS AT HOME. Dec 8th Brazilia Hitacki Macu Ping Sucy.

lochy, Indrani, P. E. Friedrich.

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